



Philippians 4:7

*And the peace of God, which
surpasses all comprehension, will
guard your hearts and minds in
Christ Jesus.*

Welcome to the

FARMINGDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

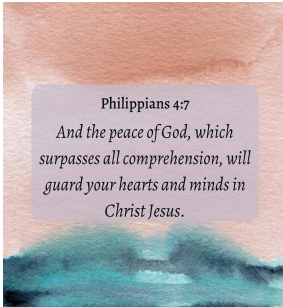
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Rev. Catherine Schuyler, Pastor
David Majoros, D.M.A., Director of Music,
Larry Bing, Liturgist

GATHERING

Creating God, Your Fingers Trace, Dare

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PRELUDE

Welcome, v. 1

W&S #3152

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The joy of the Lord is our strength

The peace of the Lord is our foundation

The promise of the Lord is our hope

The love of the Lord is our power

Let us live in love and promise

Let us worship in joy and peace. Amen.

*HYMN

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

UMH #400

INVOCATION

Gracious and holy God, creator of the universe, source of love and life, we gather in your name this day to hear your word and to pray for your Spirit. Come among us in power. Comfort those who mourn, encourage those who are weary, forgive those who stumble, inspire those who seek. Send us from here as your disciples, surrounded by a cloud of witnesses to your love and grace. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

GLORIA PATRI

UMH #71

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Open our ears, O Lord, to hear you speak. Clear our minds of the clutter of worry and distraction that we might focus on your word, your call, and your love. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 32:1-14

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 4:1-9 (Responsively)

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks and sing!

⁴Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for,
my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

²I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord.

³**Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women,
for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel,
together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers,
whose names are in the book of life.**

⁴**Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.**

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near.

⁶**Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything
by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving
let your requests be made known to God.**

⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,
will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸**Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable,
whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing,
whatever is commendable,
if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise,
think about these things.**

⁹As for the things that you have learned and received
and heard and noticed in me, do them,
and the God of peace will be with you.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks and sing!

ANTHEM

A Gladsome Hymn of Praise

Tune from "Southern Harmony," 1835; arr. Lovelace

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 22:1-14

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

*HYMN

Since Jesus Came into My Heart

TFWS #2140

SERMON

Changed by Grace

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

An Affirmation of Faith on Peace

We believe in God,

who created all people in the divine image,

and gave us the beauty and wonder of the world to share.

We believe in Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace,
who came as Emmanuel, God with us, full of grace and truth.
He named as blessed those who are peacemakers.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who binds us together in Christ's love and teaches us the ways of peace.

As followers of Jesus Christ,
we wait for the day when nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall we learn war anymore.
We live in God's peace that passes all understanding,
and we offer that peace to all whom we meet.
Amen.

PRAYER HYMN

O Lord, Your Tenderness

TFWS #2143

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

How Great Is Our God

W&S #3003

***DOXOLOGY**

UMH #94

***PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

We offer our gifts, O God, as we offer our hearts and our lives. Consecrate them by the power of your Spirit that they may be vessels of love to the world, in Christ's name. Amen.

***HYMN**

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

TFWS #2158

BENEDICTION

***POSTLUDE**

As We Go

W&S #3183

Our worship has ended; our service begins.

(*) Please stand as you are comfortable.

WELCOME, VISITORS!

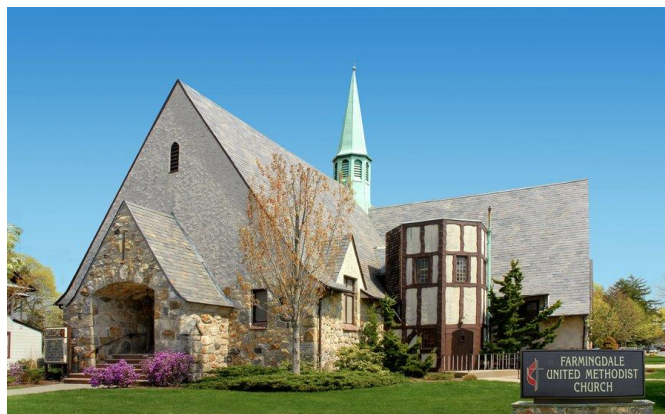
Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. There's a Visitor Center in the room To the right of the sanctuary with information and a welcome packet. If you'd like to Share your name and address, you may use the QR code, or sign the guest book in the Visitor Center.



PRAYER GROUPS AND BIBLE STUDIES

- Wednesday Bible Study, 10:30 a.m. via Zoom
- Friday Ladies' Small Group, 7:30 p.m. via Zoom

100 YEARS AT 401 MAIN STREET – CELEBRATION NEXT SUNDAY!



LECTORS

Oct 11 Larry Bing
Oct 18 Betty Gastelua
Oct 25 Sharon Lensky

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

Oct 11 Lois & Kimberly S.
Oct 18 Amanda & Kathy
Oct 25 Rita & John

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Finance Committee Meeting – Tuesday, Oct. 20, 7:00pm
- SPR Meeting – Wednesday, Oct. 21, 7:00pm
- Ad Council Meeting – Wednesday, Oct. 28, 7:00pm

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We'll share our prayer concerns aloud in worship. The ushers have microphones to bring to you to share. If you'd prefer, you may add a written prayer request to the offering plate.

CONCERNS & COMMITMENTS:

Whenever the gospel of Jesus Christ is proclaimed, the Spirit of God is at work. If you have been touched by God and desire to make a commitment to Christ and to His Church or you would like to have the pastor pray with/for you, please speak with her.

Service is In-Person or on Zoom

ZOOM:

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